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INFORMATION REPORT

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SUBJECT Production of Nickel Wire Mesh

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25X1C PLACE ACQUIRED [REDACTED]

NO. OF ENCLS. 1* (2 mesh samples)
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SUPPLEMENT TO REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

1. A rectangular piece of nickel wire weaving about 32 sq cm of 22,000 mesh per sq cm is forwarded. The Soviets demanded the production of a test weaving with this mesh figure. This test weaving, a roll of about 40 sq m, was examined by Soviet engineer Falilov, who immediately took it to Berlin. According to his information this roll was immediately transshipped to Moscow.

2. The weaving was produced by the TEWA VEB Plant in Neustadt/Orla (M 51/J 84), as was reported previously. Since all of this test production has been disposed of, no additional samples can be supplied.

3. This weaving is not yet in mass production. The capacity of the weaving plants capable of manufacturing such weavings would not be sufficient to attain the 70,000 sq m production demanded by the Soviets.

4. Another rectangular/wire weaving sample about 420 sq cm with 7,000 mesh per sq cm is forwarded.

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Comment:

Previous reports mentioned the Soviet intention of producing wire weavings with 22,000 mesh per sq cm. The Soviets have contented themselves with wire weavings of 10,000 mesh and 7,000 mesh per sq cm in order to provide the 72,000 sq m needed for 1950 production.

(1) The 22,000 mesh test weaving may indicate that the Soviets still plan the manufacture of such a thin wire

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weaving. During WW II the former Oskar Eilhauer Plant in Neustadt/Orla manufactured weavings of 35,000 mesh per sq cm for the German Armed Forces.

(1) The Soviet official Palilov (spelled Pavilov in other reports) was frequently reported to be commissioner for acceptance and shipment of thin wire weavings from the Soviet Zone of Germany to the Soviet Union.

- 2 Annexes:
1. About 32 sq cm thin wire weaving sample with 22,000 mesh per sq cm.
Caution. Do not damage.
 2. About 420 sq cm thin wire weaving sample with 7,000 mesh per squ cm.
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